26. (New) The heat-generating cosmetic according to Claim 14, wherein said sodium polyacrylate powder is contained in an amount of 0.05 to 2.0% by weight in the heat-generating cosmetic.

27. (New) The heat-generating cosmetic according to Claim 6, which viscosity is 10,000 to 150,000 cps by using a B type rotational viscometer at 25 °C.

28. (New) The heat-generating cosmetic according to Claim 7, which viscosity is 10,000 to 150,000 cps by using a B type rotational viscometer at 25 °C.

29. (New) The heat-generating cosmetic according to Claim 8, which viscosity is 10,000 to 150,000 cps by using a B type rotational viscometer at 25 °C.--

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the heading from "ASBSTRACT" to --ABSTRACT--.

REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing amendments prior to examination is respectfully requested. A marked-up version of the paragraphs and claims amended showing the changes made is attached.

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The synthetic hydrotalcite used in the present invention is a basic hydrate of magnesium carbonate and aluminum carbonate, which has a chemical formula such as Mg₆Al₂(OH)₁₆CO₃ · [₄]4H₂O, Mg_{4.5}Al₂(OH)₁₃CO₃ · 3.5H₂O, Mg_{4.3}Al₂(OH)_{12.6}CO₃ · mH₂O, including KYOWAAD 500, 1000 and DHT-4A commercially available from Kyowa Chemical Industry Co., Ltd. Synthetic calcined hydrotalcite is a material that synthetic hydrotalcite is calcined to eliminate H₂O and CO₂. having a chemical formula such as Mg_{0.7}Al_{0.3}O_{1.15}, and there may be mentioned for example, KYOWAAD 2000 commercially available from Kyowa Chemical Industry Co.,Ltd. etc. Among them, KYOWAAD 2000, etc., which is a calcined product having a good heat-generating property and which is gentle to skin due to its spherical powder form, is particularly preferable. The powder thereof have properties of generating heat of cohesion when they are in contact with water.

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Zeolite used in the present invention is a material which generates heat of hydration when blended with water, and synthetic zeolite powder, for example $(1-x)Na_2O \cdot xK_2O \cdot A1_2O_3 \cdot 2SiO_2(x \ge 0.3)$ (synthetic zeolite 3A type); $Na_2O \cdot A1_2O_3 \cdot 2SiO_2$ (synthetic zeolite 4A type); $(1-x)Na_2O \cdot xCaO \cdot A1_2O_3 \cdot 2S[I]iO_2(x \ge 0.7)$ (synthetic zeolite 5A type) are preferable. As to the particle size distribution of the synthetic zeolite, 0.15mm or less is preferred, and such products, there may be mentioned Zeolum A-3 powder, Zeolum A-4 powder and Zeolum A-S powder commercially available from TOSOH Corporation, and others available from UNION SHOWA K.K.

The Claims:

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3. The heat-generating cosmetic according to [either]Claim 1[or 2], wherein said polyhydric alcohol or polyoxyalkylene (having 2 or 3 carbon atoms) – glycol adduct is at least one compound selected from the group consisting of polyethylene glycol, 1,3-butylene glycol, glycerol, polyoxyethylene glyceryl ether and polyoxyethylene-modified organosiloxane.

- 4. The heat-generating cosmetic according to [either]Claim 1[or 2], wherein said thickening agent is at least one compound selected from the group consisting of hydroxypropyl cellulose, aluminum starch octenylsuccinate, synthetic aluminum silicate and kaolin.
- 5. The heat-generating cosmetic according to [any one of Claims 1 to 4] Claim 1, which further comprises (d) sodium polyacrylate powder.